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Number of respondents: 63,387.

Estimated Responses per Respondent: 1 every two years.

Time per respondent: 33 minutes.

Total hours to respond: 35,169.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

Status of the proposed information collection: Pending OMB approval.

Authority: Title 13 U.S.C. Section 9(a), and Title 12, U.S.C., Section 1701z-1 *et seq.*

Dated: January 16, 2003.

Christopher D. Lord,

Deputy Assistant, Secretary for Policy Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of the Secretary

Glen Canyon Dam Adaptive Management Work Group; Notice of Renewal

This notice is published in accordance with section 9(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463). Following consultation with the General Services Administration, notice is hereby given that the Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) is renewing the Glen Canyon Dam Adaptive Management Work Group. The purpose of the Adaptive Management Work Group is to advise and provide recommendations to the Secretary with respect to her responsibility to comply with the Grand Canyon Protection Act of October 30, 1992, embodied in Public Law 102-575.

Further information regarding the advisory council may be obtained from the Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW., Washington, DC 20240.

The certification of renewal is published below.

Certification

I hereby certify that renewal of the Glen Canyon Dam Adaptive Management Work Group is in the public interest in connection with the purpose of duties imposed on the Department of the Interior by 30 U.S.C. 1-8.

Dated: January 22, 2003.

Gale A. Norton,

Secretary of the Interior.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Scoping Meetings and Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Designation of an Experimental Population of Northern Aplomado Falcon

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: We, the Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), are providing this notice to advise the public that a draft environmental assessment will be prepared, pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 432 *et seq.*), in conjunction with a proposed rule to establish, under section 10(j) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act), an experimental population of northern aplomado falcon (*Falco femoralis septentrionalis*) in New Mexico and Arizona. We will hold five public informational sessions and scoping meetings (*see DATES and ADDRESSES* sections).

Through this notice and the public scoping meetings, we are seeking comments or suggestions from the public, other concerned governmental agencies, tribes, the scientific community, industry, or any other interested parties concerning the scope of the environmental analysis, including the alternatives that should be analyzed.

DATES: Comments may be submitted directly to the Service (*see ADDRESSES* section) by February 11, 2003, or at any of the five scoping meetings to be held in February 2003. Meetings will include an informational session and a subsequent scoping meeting.

We will hold public informational sessions and scoping meetings at the following dates and times:

1. February 3, 2003

Douglas, AZ

Informational session: 5:30 p.m.

Scoping meeting: 7 p.m.

2. February 4, 2003

Deming, NM

Informational session: 5:30 p.m.

Scoping meeting: 7 p.m.

3. February 5, 2003:

Alamogordo, NM

Informational session: 5:30 p.m.

Scoping meeting: 7 p.m.

4. February 6, 2003

Carlsbad, NM

Informational session: 5:30 p.m.

Scoping meeting: 7:30 p.m.

5. February 11, 2003

Socorro, NM

Informational session: 5:30 p.m.

Scoping meeting: 7 p.m.

ADDRESSES:

Meetings

The public informational sessions and scoping meetings will be held at the following locations:

1. Douglas, AZ: Cochise College-Little Theatre, 4190 West State Highway 80; (520) 417-4143.

2. Deming, NM: Deming High School Auditorium, 1100 S. Nickel; (505) 546-8126.

3. Alamogordo, NM: Alamogordo Civic Center, 800 East 1st Street; (505) 439-4142.

4. Carlsbad, NM: New Mexico State University at Carlsbad-Instructional Building, Room 153, 1500 University Drive; (505) 234-9444.

5. Socorro, NM: New Mexico Tech-Main Auditorium, Macey Center, 801 Leroy Place; (505) 835-5342.

Information, comments, or questions related to preparation of the draft environmental assessment and the NEPA process should be submitted to Joy Nicholopoulos, Field Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, New Mexico Ecological Services Field Office, 2105 Osuna NE, Albuquerque, New Mexico, 87113. Written comments may also be sent by facsimile to (505) 346-2542 or by e-mail to R2FWE_AL@fws.gov. All comments, including names and addresses, will become part of the administrative record and may be released.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Questions regarding the scoping process, preparation of the draft environmental assessment, or the development of a proposed rule designating an experimental population may be directed to Carrie Chalcraft at telephone number (505) 346-2525.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The aplomado falcon (*Falco femoralis*) is a widespread but sparsely distributed species through the Americas. Ranging from near the Mexican border south to Argentina, the aplomado falcon is a fast-flying predator that feeds upon medium-sized birds, insects, rodents, bats, and reptiles; pairs often hunt cooperatively. The northern subspecies (*F.f. septentrionalis*) was widespread throughout southwestern grasslands prior to the 1930s (Hector 1981, 2000). It was regarded as fairly common throughout the humid coastal